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For our District

Katikati – Waihī Beach Ward Forum

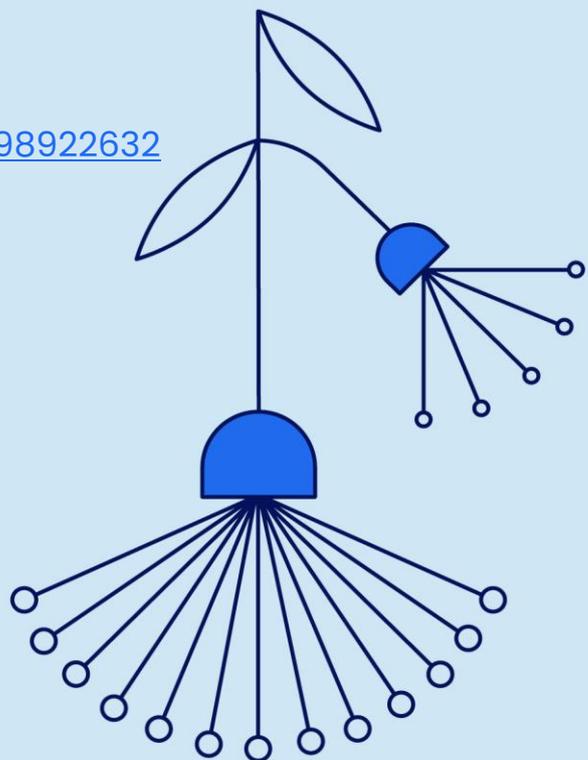
Komiti Hapori

KWB22-1

Tuesday, 1 March 2022, 7.00pm

via Zoom

<https://westernbay-govt-nz.zoom.us/j/81798922632>



Katikati – Waihi Beach

Ward Forum

Membership:

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| Chairperson | Cr James Denyer |
| Deputy Chairperson | Cr Anne Henry |
| Members | Mayor Garry Webber (ex-officio) Cr Allan Sole |
| Quorum | 2 |
| Frequency | Quarterly |

Role:

- To develop relationships in community and rural sectors to enable Council to achieve local solutions to local problems and promote positive change and sustainability for strong, healthy and safe communities.
- To provide an effective mechanism for feedback to Council on local and community issues and strategic issues relating to the Ward.
- To promote liaison between the relevant community boards, ratepayers associations and community organisations to improve the wellbeing of residents in the Ward.
- To develop and maintain a strong relationship with Tangata Whenua and ensure Māori values are considered.
- To promote and advocate for the co-ordination of community services and agencies for the well-being of the community.
- To consider and report to Council and its Committees on any matter of interest or concern to the Ward communities.

Delegations:

- To receive community development plans and where appropriate make recommendations to Council or its Committees to assist in the implementation of the plans.
- To report and make recommendations to Council and its Committees on local and community issues and strategic issues relating to the Ward.
- To consider and report on all matters referred by Council and its Committees.
- To promote, encourage and facilitate community participation in issues relating to Council strategies and outcomes.
- To communicate with community organisations and interest groups within the Ward.

Notice is hereby given that a Katikati – Waihi Beach Ward Forum Meeting will be held via Zoom on:
 Tuesday, 1 March 2022 at 7.00pm

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Members are reminded of the need to be vigilant and to stand aside from decision making when a conflict arises between their role as an elected representative and any private or other external interest that they may have.

6 PUBLIC EXCLUDED ITEMS**7 PUBLIC FORUM**

A period of up to 30 minutes is set aside for a public forum. Members of the public may attend to address the Board for up to five minutes on items that fall within the delegations of the Board provided the matters are not subject to legal proceedings, or to a process providing for the hearing of submissions. Speakers may be questioned through the Chairperson by members, but questions must be confined to obtaining information or clarification on matters raised by the speaker. The Chairperson has discretion in regard to time extensions.

Such presentations do not form part of the formal business of the meeting, a brief record will be kept of matters raised during any public forum section of the meeting with matters for action to be referred through the customer contact centre request system, while those requiring further investigation will be referred to the Chief Executive.

8 PRESENTATIONS

9 MINUTES FOR RECEIPT

9.1 MINUTES OF THE KATIKATI – WAIHI BEACH WARD FORUM MEETING HELD ON 22 JUNE 2021

File Number: A4479798

Author: Jahneisha Osborne, Governance Support Administrator

Authoriser: Jan Pedersen, Group Manager People And Customer Services

RECOMMENDATION

That the Minutes of the Katikati – Waihi Beach Ward Forum Meeting held on 22 June 2021 be received.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Minutes of the Katikati – Waihi Beach Ward Forum Meeting held on 22 June 2021

**MINUTES OF WESTERN BAY OF PLENTY DISTRICT COUNCIL
KATIKATI - WAIHI BEACH WARD FORUM MEETING NO. KWB21-2
HELD AT THE WAIHĪ BEACH COMMUNITY CENTRE, 106 BEACH ROAD, WAIHĪ BEACH
ON TUESDAY, 22 JUNE 2021 AT 7.00PM**

1 PRESENT

Cr J Denyer, Cr A Henry, and Cr A Sole

2 IN ATTENDANCE

M Taris (Chief Executive Officer), J Osborne (Governance Support Administrator), and C Irvin (Senior Governance Advisor)

3 APOLOGIES

APOLOGY

RESOLUTION KWB21-2.1

Moved: Cr J Denyer

Seconded: Cr A Sole

That the apology for absence from Mayor Webber be accepted.

CARRIED

4 CONSIDERATION OF LATE ITEMS

Nil

5 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Nil

6 PUBLIC EXCLUDED ITEMS

Nil

7 PUBLIC FORUM

Nil

8 PRESENTATIONS

Nil

9 MINUTES FOR RECEIPT

9.1 MINUTES OF THE KATIKATI - WAIHI BEACH WARD FORUM MEETING HELD ON 2 MARCH 2021

RESOLUTION KWB21-2.2

Moved: Cr A Henry

Seconded: Cr A Sole

That the Minutes of the Katikati - Waihi Beach Ward Forum Meeting held on 2 March 2021 be received.

CARRIED

10 REPORTS

10.1 KATIKATI - WAIHI BEACH WARD FORUM MINUTE ACTION SHEET

The Committee considered a report dated 22 June 2021 from the Governance Support Administrator. The report was taken as read.

RESOLUTION KWB21-2.3

Moved: Cr A Sole

Seconded: Cr A Henry

1. That the Governance Support Administrator's report dated 22 June 2021, titled 'Katikati - Waihi Beach Ward Forum Minute Action Sheet', be received.

CARRIED

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

RESOLUTION KWB21-2.4

Moved: Cr J Denyer

Seconded: Cr A Henry

A motion was moved that Council suspend standing orders.

CARRIED

11 WORKSHOP

11.1 WORKSHOP ITEMS

An update was provided by the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) on the proposed plans for Central/Local Government Three Waters Reform Programme, and what it could mean for the District.

Key points:

- The Reform was being conducted by Central Government's Department of Internal Affairs (DIA), and was being led by Hon Nanaia Mahuta (Minister for Local Government and Foreign Affairs).
- Three Waters referred to drinking water, wastewater, and stormwater.
- In conjunction with the Three Waters Reform, multiple other reforms were happening at the same time, such as changes to the Resource Management Act (RMA), as well as a Freshwater Reform.
- The CEO was a representative on the Local Government Steering Committee for the Three Waters Reform.
- Local Government's involvement was to assist Central Government with the implementation of the Three Waters Reform. It was noted that a third of the Western Bay of Plenty District Council's (WBOPDC) assets were Three Waters assets.
- If the Reform was to go ahead, the Government was on a short time frame, and at this time, the new service delivery date was expected to be 1 July 2024.
- The DIA had gathered information from local government bodies under a Request for Information (RFI), which Western Bay of Plenty District Council (WBOPDC) had provided. Local bodies were then required to supply further information after receiving a further request from the DIA. This information included asset worth, rates, assets owned and where they were, reticulated and wastewater systems, and was used to analyse the current state of these local bodies.
- The CEO advised that this did not relate to private water supplies, but rather Council's reticulated supplies, wastewater systems, and some aspects of storm water infrastructure.
- The information gathered by Central Government had been peer-reviewed by four reputable external organisations.
- Central Government was looking at a case for change based on public health and safety, the ability for councils to fund those assets going forward, improved asset quality to meet drinking water standards, and current consent conditions. It was noted that environmental impact was also a factor of the Reform, as well as

economic development for the future. Inequalities across New Zealand would also be addressed.

- The next stage of work for the Government was to review the information, working alongside experts and the Steering Committee, and receive feedback on how Central Government was going to proceed.
- Following the initial proposal, Local Government had the choice to 'opt-in' or 'opt-out' of the Reform, as it was voluntary.
- Communication and engagement across the country was being run by Central Government. They were currently undertaking discussions with Tangata Whenua.
- If the Council opted in to the Reform, public consultation would be taken out to the community later in 2021, and would then make a final decision whether to take part in the Reform, or not.
- The Government had informed local bodies that the assets would stay in public ownership, and that there was no facility for the assets to be sold.
- The concept of the Reform was that it would be on a user-pays basis. This meant that if a household was already connected to Council's Three Waters service, then that household would be part of the scheme. Included in this would be septic tank users who could change over to a reticulated wastewater system; if eligible.
- Council was hoping to be able to inform the public of their plans by the end of 2021.

In response to questions, the following matters were noted:

- The delivery of Three Waters would be run in much the same way as it was now, but would be operated and managed by newly formed entities.
- Council could be in a better debt to revenue ratio, as a substantial amount of the debt would be allocated to the new entity as part of the Reform. The Government was reviewing overheads as a part of the Reform.
- Fluoridation and chlorination would be handled by Taumata Arowai – the water services regulator for New Zealand.
- Organisations who held private Council partnerships (e.g. for the management of the land around a treatment plant), could potentially transfer this partnership over to the new entity.
- It was yet to be decided what approach would be taken on how solid waste and wastewater would be managed, and the disposal of treated wastewater.
- The RFI that went to Local Government bodies was to gather information around the current financial status of the Three Waters service delivery. This information was critiqued by Scottish Water (a Scottish statutory corporation that provided water and sewerage services across Scotland). A secondary round of the RFI went out for information, and preliminary results came out earlier in 2021. This was

reviewed by three consultancy companies – Farrier Swier Consulting, Deloitte, and Beca – who were tasked with an independent review of all the information gathered. They were asked to consider the unique New Zealand environment. All three companies returned similar findings.

- It had not yet been decided who would be responsible for the maintenance of the water consents, but it was thought that this would stay with Bay of Plenty Regional Council.
- The cost estimate of \$120-180billion would be over 30 years, and these costs could be spread over all of New Zealand. The allocation of costs has yet to be addressed..
- Three Waters technical expertise was not the same level for all local bodies. The Government was looking at different reform models to address this.
- The Government would need to review the Reform if the majority of councils were to 'opt-out'.
- All relative information regarding costs would be supplied to ratepayers through summarised information releases from the Government, as part of the consultation later in 2021.
- The CEO emphasised that this was an information update, some of which was still to be confirmed, and was subject to change.

RESUMPTION OF STANDING ORDERS

RESOLUTION KWB21-2.5

Moved: Cr J Denyer

Seconded: Cr A Sole

A motion was moved that Council resume standing orders.

CARRIED

12 RECOMMENDATIONS TO COUNCIL/COMMITTEE

Nil

The Meeting closed at 8.05pm.

10 WORKSHOP

10.1 WORKSHOP ITEMS

File Number: A4479808

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

An update will be provided on the following items, which will include an opportunity for discussion.

1. Pippa Coombes – Waihi Beach Skate Park
2. Derek Sage – Healthcare Hub
3. Jacqui Knight – Cycleways
4. Carole Parker – Abbeyfield
5. Barbara Martin & Graeme Thomson – Dave Hume Pool

11 RECOMMENDATIONS TO COUNCIL/COMMITTEE